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SUBJ: PROPERTY: RECOVERY OF 1974 JAGUAR OWNED BY ZIMMERMAN FORD

REF: STATE 181700, 181880 AND MEXICO 6995

1. EMBASSY OFFICER MET WITH LIC. SOCRATES HUERTA ON AUGUST 7. HE INDICATED THAT HE WOULD BE OUT OF TOWN DURING BENSON'S VISIT. ASSIGNED HIS ASSISTANT LIC. MIRANDA TO MEET WITH BENSON ON AUGUST 13. SUBJECT OF JAGUAR WAS DISCUSSED BRIEFLY. HUERTA STATED DOCUMENTS HAD BEEN RECEIVED BUT HAD NOT HAD SUFFICIENT TIME TO STUDY THE CASE. HOWEVER WITHIN TEN DAYS OF HIS RETURN WOULD INFORM EMBASSY OF HIS DECISION.

2. TWO EMBASSY OFFICERS ACCOMPANIED BENSON AND RINCON TO SCHEDULED MEETING WITH LIC. MIRANDA. MIRANDA WAS NOT VERY FORTHCOMING AND SPOKE MAINLY IN GENERALITIES CONCERNING PROBLEMS OF STOLEN AUTOMOBILES. HE WAS UNWILLING TO TAKE FIRM STAND ON EXPEDITING THE PROCESS. JAGUAR WAS MENTIONED AND ALTHOUGH SHOWED LITTLE INTEREST, INDICATED WOULD REVIEW THE CASE BUT WAS UNCERTAIN AS TO WHEN WE WOULD GET DECISION. ALL INDICATIONS THAT CASE PURPOSELY BEING HELD UP BY THIS OFFICE.

3. FOLLOWING ABOVE MEETING BENSON AND CONOFFS MET WITH LIC. GALEANO, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF JURIDICAL AFFAIRS IN FOREIGN OFFICE AND HIS ASSISTANT, LIC. BONILLA. GALEANO TOOK OVERALL INTEREST IN PROBLEM OF EXPEDITING PROCESS AND REACTIVATING COMMITTEE. JAGUAR WAS MENTIONED AS EXAMPLE RED TAPE, IN THIS INSTANCE, BY ATTORNEY GENERAL'S

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OFFICE. GALEANO ASSIGNED BONILLA TO DISCUSS COMMITTEE

AND GENERAL SUBJECT STOLEN AUTOMOBILES AND AIRCRAFT WITH
LIC. GENARO MORENO MARTINEZ, FISCAL ATTORNEY GENERAL, WHO
IS PERSONAL FRIEND GALEANO.

4. ALL INDICATIONS GALEANO WILL COOPERATE TO FULLEST BUT
WE DO NOT ENTERTAIN HIGH HOPES FOR COMMITTEE. EMBASSY
WILL INFORM DEPARTMENT OF RESULTS BONILLA MEETING.
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